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'It's a great day'



Fort Erie Mayor Doug Martin, left, Fort Erie Live Racing Consortium chief executive officer Jim Thibert and Niagara Falls MPP Kim Craitor at the Fort Erie Race Track, last Thursday.

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Racetrack will
come flying out of
the gate, likely
with 50 dates in
2013

Kris Dubé
Editor

The Fort Erie Live Racing Consortium (FELRC) and other parties involved with saving a season in 2013 at the racetrack can't release details about how much funding the provincial government is pitching in.

But the most important detail to some, that there will be a meet beginning at the end of May, is what everyone in attendance at a press conference last Thursday came to hear.

All three members of the Ontario Horse Racing Industry transition panel were at the event, along with FELRC chief executive officer Jim Thibert, Niagara Falls member of provincial parliament Kim Craitor, Fort Erie Mayor Doug Martin and other officials involved with the 117-year-old border oval.

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'Our horsepeople have been under great stress since last fall'

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It was announced on Tuesday that the Ontario government and Premier Kathleen Wynne had found transitional funding to save the racetrack and during Thursday's media conference, Thibert explained that details about how much money would be forwarded to the facility for a 2013 season could not be elaborated on.

A total of 50 race dates have been applied for through the Ontario Racing Commission, which the FELRC expects will equate

to about eight races per day with a daily purse structure of about \$11,100.

Thibert addressed the crowd by thanking everyone who depends on the Fort Erie Racetrack for their livelihood for being so patient, as the last few months had been plagued with uncertainty when it comes to the upcoming season and beyond.

"Our horsepeople have been under great stress since last fall," said Thibert.

He said everyone who played a role in finding a solution, while addressing the need to incorporate the industry into the Ontario Lottery and Gaming

Corporation (OLG)'s modernization strategy has worked tirelessly since the process began.

"They have worked so hard in getting us to this point," said Thibert.

Last March, the provincial government and the OLG announced the slots at race-tracks program would become history, removing one of the most depended upon sources for purse structures at the border oval.

"In one year, we have gone from shock and awe to organizational accountability and prospects for rejuvenation," said Thibert.

Fort Erie's representative

at the provincial level of government, Kim Craltor, also congratulated everyone who played a role in bringing this news to the track, but especially the people who know their jobs are secure, that they would be returning for another season.

"It's a great day," said Craitor.

Three years ago, the government came through with funding for 2010-12, along with financial contributions from the Town of Fort Erie.

Although this eased the mind of many people for those three years, the deadline for a 2013 season was always looming and in the back of Craiton's mind, he knew it was something that had to be dealt with.

"Every year that went by, I dreaded it," said Craitor.

Knowing that the slots program was not as successful as some thought it was, but also knowing that the non-profit organization known as the FELRC had seen success since taking over in 2010, he was confident a plan could be put in place when the three-year term expired.

That confidence in the FELRC and Jim Thibert, along with the transition panel that began looking into methods that could sustain the track and the industry as a whole, proved to be a strategy that could find the answer, he said.

"It's an exciting day, that's really what counts," said Craitor.

When Mayor Doug Martin took the podium, he referred to the 'Save the Fort Erie Racetrack' button he was wearing on his jacket.

Although he hopes he can put it away in a drawer for the next few years, if needed he will always have it ready as a symbol of the oval's importance to the community.

"We can keep putting it on year after year, to keep the track working," said Martin.

With the FELRC working as the only non-profit organization in Ontario that operates a track, along with its valuable staff, Martin is confident the future can be a bright one.

"We've got the right team in place to get things done," said Martin.

The mayor also said that the racetrack has an estimated annual economic impact on the area of \$151 million.

"This is a major contributor to the welfare of the town, the region and the province," said Martin.

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Local horse trainers Nancy Wilson and Myckie Neubauer, going over the proposed race schedule for 2013 at the racetrack.



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Panel members say racetracks should focus on the customer

Kris Dubé
Editor

Three former cabinet ministers with affiliations to different political parties entered the role they were given last year with the same mindset.

The Ontario Horse Racing Industry transition panel consisting of Liberal John Wilkinson, Conservative John Snobelen and NDP Elmer Buchanan attended last Thursday's media event at the Fort Erie Racetrack and said the formula they used while working toward a solution for the sport of kings in Ontario was an easy one... make every attempt they can to agree with any idea put on the table.

"We decided we would do everything by agreeing," said John Wilkinson at the event.

The panel was appointed by Ted McMeekin, Ontario's minister of agriculture, food and rural affairs.

Wilkinson and the other panel members all feel that the biggest crutch the industry relied on for a number of years, was revenue generated by the slots-at-racetrack program, which came to an end last year with closures in Fort Erie, Windsor and Sarnia.

He said in the past there wasn't enough accountability and transparency in the horse racing industry and expects that under a new strategy, this will

change by putting the customer first.

"Many tracks have lost focus on their customer," said Wilkinson.

Although the amount of funding being handed down to the Fort Erie Racetrack to save the 2013 season cannot be disclosed until agreements with other tracks are finalized, he said it would be nearly impossible for tracks to survive without financial assistance.

Snobelen sympathized with people who earn a living in the industry for all

“

Our focus should be building and re-building the fan base.”

— John Snobelen

the uncertainty they deal with almost every year.

"We know the horse-people carry that burden with them," he said.

Snobelen said everyone involved with the local border oval's file, before it was

announced last week it would survive for another year, were glad to be a part of the solution.

"They understand the historic significance of the

Fort Erie Racetrack," he said.

He also stressed how vital it is for racetracks to keep the many loyal bettors and fans they've served for so many years, but to also find new methods that will cause more people to visit on race days.

"Our focus should be building and re-building the fan base," he said.

Elmer Buchanan congratulated Fort Erie for pulling together as a com-

munity and never losing hope that the racetrack still had more life left in it.

"Without that community support, we wouldn't be standing here today," said Buchanan.

Echoing what Snobelen said about rejuvenating the fan base, Buchanan said that should be the primary focus for the immediate future.

"That's where the future lies, getting people back in the stands."



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Ontario Horse Racing Industry Association transition panel members John Snobelen, Elmer Buchanan and John Wilkinson at a press conference on Mar. 28.

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A film that will resonate



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Crystal Beach resident Lucy Sanford stands in front of The Boutique Movie Theatre in Ridgeway, where she will be bringing the Canadian premiere of a documentary called 'Resonance: Beings of Frequency.' Sanford suffers from electro-hypersensitivity, a condition caused by electromagnetic activity. Read the whole story on page 5.

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Fort Erie will raise awareness about serious condition

Kris Dubé
Editor

In this day and age, a cellular device is a staple in most people's lives.

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It's the last possession they use, other than a toothbrush, before calling it a night.

But for Crystal Beach resident Lucy Sanford, using a cellular device is a nightmare and that's why she does her best to not go anywhere near them.

She suffers from electromagnetic hypersensitivity, a condition in which an individual develops symptoms when exposed to non-ionizing radiation from electromagnetic fields such as high energy radio waves and microwaves, just to name a few.

On April 3 at the Boutique Movie Theatre in Ridgeway, Canada is hosting an event that will be considered the Canadian premiere of a documentary on this subject, called "Resonance: Being of Frequency."

It is a free event and will also involve a question and answer period with Dr. Magda Havas, associate professor of environmental and resource studies at Trent University, where she teaches and does research on the biological effects of environmental contaminants.

Sanford is excited to bring this film to the Greater Fort Erie area because many people shrug off the idea of being harmed by electromagnetic waves, as if it's something that doesn't have any impact on them.

"It's important because the radiation is ubiquitous. It's hard to escape. I've had people say to me that they're OK because they don't use a cell phone. But what a lot of people don't realize is that

there are many common sources throughout our homes and offices that can affect us and our children," said Sanford who didn't pinpoint her condition until, after about 15 years of not feeling well but not being able to identify what was wrong.

"It's very scary stuff because you don't know what's going on," she said.

There are dozens of symptoms that many sufferers may find affecting them, including headaches and dizziness, memory loss, pain or pressure in the chest, deteriorating vision, digestive problems and many more.

Dr. Havas, who will be one of the speakers at the film event in Ridgeway, compared people's perceptions of electromagnetic pollution to misconceptions about tobacco use from many years ago.

"Those who enjoy using smart phones and their computers on wi-fi would like to think that their exposure if insignificant because they enjoy using their technology. Just as smokers initially felt that tobacco couldn't harm them. The problem is both the smart phone user and the smoker have become addicted," said Havas.

She said bringing the documentary audiences is crucial because it opens up their eyes and ears to a serious condition that is too often ignored.

"Films like this are critical to bringing awareness and understanding to the public about an environmental pollutant that is probably going to be much more harmful than cigarette smoking and asbestos combined, simply because of the number of people exposed globally," said Havas.

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Do You Remember?

We know that last week's photo of the boys

Colouring Easter eggs took place at a library in 1981, however, we would still welcome calls about who these boys are and in which library this Easter activity took place.

Let's hope that April showers did bring May flowers for our town when this photo was taken.

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Journalism student and local resident part of the team

The following is a column written by Brayden McCullagh, a Fort Erie resident and Journalism-Print student at Niagara College, who will be doing his co-op placement at the Fort Erie Times for the month of April.

Growing up in Fort Erie has been a privilege. What other town has such gorgeous lake views, ample green parks and friendly people?

It's in Fort Erie that I rode my first bike, had my first day of school, and even had my first beer (legally of course.) When I left Fort Erie to take Journalism at Niagara College, I was simultaneously excited and nervous. Excited to

start a new chapter in my life, but nervous to leave the town I had spent the last 20 years in.

I think a lot of people are afraid to leave this town because of how close-knit we all are. Everyone seems to know everyone in Fort Erie. In Fort Erie you know who to go to when your car breaks, you know whose grandma makes the best lasagna, and if your bike goes missing from your

back yard, you probably know who stole that too. For better or worse, you know the personality traits of nearly every citizen of this town.

As my final year of the Journalism program neared I was tasked with finding a placement for the month of April. Some classmates chose to write for wedding magazines, online publications or move out west for a promised job. One pub-

lication name I never once heard being thrown around the classroom was Fort Erie Times.

I considered the idea of sitting at home in my boxers all day writing for an online magazine, or going out so some far and isolated place in Canada to run a newspaper myself, but something kept me from going through with these ideas. I simply wanted to represent my hometown. So

here I am, at the Fort Erie Times writing about one of my greatest and oldest passions: Fort Erie. It may seem strange to some to turn down big cities in favor of Fort Erie, but as the expression goes 'there's no place like home.'

To leave Brayden feedback, email kris.dube@sunmedia.ca

opinion page

Several donations



Earlier in March, the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 71 made donations to a number of local causes. Accepting for Big Brothers Big Sisters Lisa McLaren, for the Salvation Army Elliott Innes, for the Head Injury Association of Fort Erie Jackie Denham, for the Douglas Memorial Hospital Paul Fell (who passed away last month), for the Traditional Explorers Ron Canavan and for Fort Erie Secondary School Connie Engels.

Take the Times



Brandon and Andrew Caruana recently went to the Give Kids the World park in Florida and were kind enough to bring along the Fort Erie Times.

Easter season raises many questions

Dear Editor,

This week's holiday season of Passover, Good Friday and Easter is always a sign of spring, and new hope for a season of growing.

While scratching away the dead leaves that accumulate over winter I find underneath delicate plants—crocuses and snowdrops—stretching for sunlight.

The changing seasons have a way of confronting me with life realities. While enjoying the Easter celebrations, I'm also confronted with the message of Good Friday.

I've always been an advocate for the theory that in order to live well, I need to face the reality of my human limitation, which is to acknowledge that one day I will die.

I have also advocated that dealing with the question of death is not a morbid issue, but rather liberating, and allows me to live well.

In Niagara-on-the-Lake our average age is above the regional average. More and more, we are recognizing life well lived deserves a good death.

Most of us shy away from the vision of a slow agonizing death, hooked up to all kinds of machines for life-support. We would prefer a life well-lived, and celebrated with a peaceful death, although we applaud various support services of palliative care available to us if and when we need them.

A while back I attended a presentation by Dr. Sandra Hartman who pointed out some of the confusion between powers of attorney and a living will.

A power of attorney is a legal document, whereas a living will is not, she explained.

The reason you may want to consider a living will is primarily to make your wishes known as to how you would want to be treated should you be in a medical crisis and not able to com-

municate those wishes.

A living will is a means of giving direction for family caregivers or medical personnel as to how you would like to be treated. However, because it is not a legal document, your wishes cannot be enforced if your family or caregivers choose not to honour your wishes.

Power of attorney is an important document that empowers other people to make decisions for you.

So I believe it's important to be proactive in communicating with people who might be called upon to make decisions for you, should a situation arise.

There are various types of power of attorney that deal with care and financial considerations. It's best to talk to a lawyer to sort these out.

It is also a good idea to get legal counsel with regards to a living will, which amounts to instructions saying "Here is what I would like to have happen for my care should I not be able to communicate my wishes."

Dr. Hartman has been much appreciated for her practice in Palliative Care throughout the Niagara Region. Even in retirement, she continues to advocate for active holistic care and early planning for people to strive for quality of life.

Through experience she has seen families provide wholesome, compassionate care for a loved one at home. She recognizes such commitments are an act of kindness requiring an enormous amount of work and support.

It's through this experience that Dr. Hartman recognizes the value of a living will as a means of direction for family members and caregivers, because everyone wants to celebrate life with a good ending.

Randy Klaassen
Niagara-on-the-Lake

New York resident caught with child porn at Peace Bridge

A New York resident was arrested Saturday after Canada Border Services Agency officers found child pornography in the man's vehicle as

he tried to enter Canada.

During a secondary inspection on the Fort Erie side of the Peace Bridge, officers found

the child pornography in the man's car and contacted Niagara Regional Police.

Charged with one count of importing child

pornography and possession of child pornography is Clinton Jensen, 30.

Jensen is being held in custody pending a bail

hearing at the St. Catharines courthouse.

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Fort Erie war vet invited to Korea for ceremonies

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If Romeo Daley was two inches taller, he wouldn't

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The Korean War veteran points to a barely visible scar on the top of his head inside his Fort Erie kitch-

en.

"It's nice to be short," he says with a smirk. The small scar is a reminder of the time a bul-

let scraped him, almost catching him in between the eyes.

Another scar on his ear is a daily reminder of the time

a hand grenade went off in front of him.

"It tore my ear right off. I was treated at an American MASH unit. They did an excellent job sewing my ear back on and doing plastic surgery on my eye," he says.

For myself, I need to honour my comrades that were killed in Korea."

— Romeo Daley

And while he's grateful his life was saved in those two particular instances, his friends weren't so lucky.

Daley, who served with Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry from 1951 to 1952, had five friends killed in action right beside him.

That's why when Daley was invited to be a part of the 60th anniversary celebrating the end of the Korean War,

he couldn't pass the opportunity up. The invitation comes from the Korean Veterans Association of the Republic of Korea and will have Daley, as well as 30 other Canadian veterans, take part in numerous commemorative events during their one-week stay in Seoul, South Korea.

"For myself, I need to honour my comrades that were killed in Korea," he says.

This will be his first visit there since 1980. Daley will lay a wreath at the War Memorial in Kapyong where he will be joined by Canada's Veterans Affairs Minister Steven Blaney. April marks the 62nd year since the battle at Kapyong, perhaps the best known of the Canadian engagements during the war, which saw the greatly outnumbered Canadian regiment hold the Chinese army from advancing.

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MATT DAY QMI Agency Niagara

Romeo Daley, a Korean War veteran from Fort Erie, holds up his war medals and Queen's Diamond Jubilee medal. Daley will be among a group of 30 Canadian veterans who will visit Korea on April 20, 2013 to help mark the 60th anniversary of the Korean War.



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'I feel bad about what's going on there,' says war veteran

From Page 11

More veterans will be traveling to South Korea this summer as July 27

marks the official date to the end of the war.

Daley's trip is paid for by the Korean Veterans Association.

He says he's not wor-

ried about traveling to South Korea with the latest threats of war from North Korea.

"I feel sad about what's going on there," he says.

"I can't understand (Kim Jong Un, North Korea's leader). What he is doing is not good for his people."

North Korea said on

Saturday it was entering a "state of war" with South Korea, but Seoul and its ally the United States played down the statement as tough talk.

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Garage sale on weekend for HIAFE

Kris Dubé
Editor

The Head Injury Association of Fort Erie (HIAFE) is always in need of community support.

On Sat. Apr. 6 there will be an event at its facility located at 649 Niagara Blvd. It's an indoor garage sale that will raise funds for the local agency and its ability to provide services in the community.

"The funds are greatly needed for us to keep the doors open," said executive director Donna Summerville.

The event is being co-ordinated with the help of a Niagara College co-op student, one of many volunteers the organization depends on regularly.

"We're appreciative of any help people can lend," she said.

The HIAFE also wants to clarify about an announcement from earlier this year, where the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network announced funding that will be used solely for the aging-at-home initiative for a complex on Bowden Street that provides supportive living accommodations for individuals with acquired brain injury.

This is the sole purpose of the funding, that is monitored by Brain Injury Community Re-entry, which is separate from the HIAFE.



Head Injury Association of Fort Erie volunteers Cathy LaForme, Sandi Atherton, Heather Balsdon and Sandy Carson with some of the many items available at an indoor garage sale on Apr. 6.

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HODGKIN LYMPHOMA

Hodgkin lymphoma is a cancer that starts in the lymphocytes, the cells of the lymphatic system, which extends across the body. Hodgkin lymphoma usually begins in a group of lymph nodes in one part of the body, most often the neck. It grows in a predictable, orderly way from one lymph node group to the next. Eventually, it can spread to almost any tissue or organ in the body through the lymphatic system or the bloodstream.

BREAST

Breast cancer starts in breast tissue cells, which extend beyond the actual breasts, from the armpits across to the breastbone in the middle of the chest and up to the collarbone. The breasts sit on the chest muscles that cover the ribs. Breast cancer is the second leading cause of death by cancer in women.

KIDNEY

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BRAIN

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BREAST

When we think of breasts, we tend to think of women. But men also have breast tissue and can develop breast diseases, including cancer. Breast cancer in men is rare. Fewer than one per cent of all breast cancers occur in men. Although the risk of male breast cancer is low, it does happen. Despite the small number of cases, breast cancer in men is not well understood, stigmatized, and can be misdiagnosed or diagnosed late.

PANCREATIC

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The Canada Post office on Jarvis Street is on a list of 66 outlets across the country that are being considered for review.

Post office changes could be on the way, says union president

Kris Dubé
Editor

A local representative for the Canadian Union of Postal Workers is worried about possible changes that may affect the post office on Jarvis Street.

According to Jennifer Young, the union's president for the area, Canada Post has compiled a list of 66 post offices across the country that will be under review to potentially be re-adjusted to fit a smaller retail model and the Jarvis Street location is on that list.

"This new model would make our post office into little more than a hole in the wall," said Young.

She believes this restructuring is a way for Canada Post to be more dependent on smaller, franchised kiosks that are found in malls or other retail outlets.

Young will be bringing a presentation to Fort Erie council in the coming weeks and hopes the union can get some much needed support to maintain the level of service currently available on Jarvis Street.

"We think we can stop Canada Post from slowly killing our post office by downsizing and downgrading, if the public and our elected officials make their voices heard," said Young. She feels the best way to ensure the post office stays open is to maintain the cur-

rent level of service and not subtract from what is available. The proposed changes would result in only one point-of-sale register and all products such as stamps and envelopes would be sold from behind the counter.

"Our best guarantee of keeping our post office is keeping the work," said Young.

"That means not dividing up the work and revenue with a franchise, which is what will happen if our post office is scaled back. Long line-ups will force the public to use the franchise here in town."

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For the fourth year in a row, the local branch is holding a fundraiser for McMaster Children's Hospital and will have many activities for the entire family.

Entertainment and music lessons for kids, a live auction, a prize table, a kids corner and much more will be available from 2 to 7 p.m. at Br. 230.

"It's five hours of us being open to the public and it's a great cause," said the branch's president Barb Hopkins.

The event was founded four years to benefit a young girl named Alivia Vanderklei, whose family had to travel to Hamilton for treatments, as she suffered from a rare form of cancer.

"She's the reason we started it," said Hopkins.

Unfortunately, Alivia passed away in 2010. Since then, her parents have operated a charity called 'Alivia's Rainbows', that has raised a plethora of funds for Niagara families that travel to McMaster with sick children.

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The conference will be a day-long event at the

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— Laryssa Smith

and changes for those switching to new jobs," describes Laryssa Smith of the Fort Erie Job Cym.

"This is a free event and will include such topics as Managing Stress, Healthy Eating, Yoga and

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Fellow politicians and colleagues remember Peter Kormos

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Plery and off the cuff, his were the speeches that could rival Kim Cattrait.

The Niagara Falls Liberal MPP couldn't help but admire the passionate but never personal oratory of former Welland MPP Peter Kormos.

"When he got up to speak, I listened to everything," he said of their time serving together in the Ontario legislature.

"I loved listening to him speak. I always wish I had that talent."

Kormos — who was found dead in his Welland home Saturday, one year into his first term on Niagara regional council — left a big impression on Cattrait. He said he admired the way Kormos put people over party and spoke his mind without relying on written notes.

"I have never, in all the years I've been in politics, met anyone who could speak without any notes," Cattrait said.

"Peter speaks from the heart. It isn't planned."

Sometimes, that involved putting him on the spot, but never in mean spirits. On Monday, Cattrait recalled crossing to the NDP benches on one occasion to ask a question, only to end up seated beside Kormos as he rallied against a Liberal bill — using Cattrait as a prop.

"I'm so proud the Liberal member from Niagara Falls is sitting right beside me to listen to me," Cattrait recalled Kormos saying, turning to look at him with a verbal jab now and then. With the TV cameras on him, Cattrait said he didn't dare walk away.

Queen's Park stalwart Jim Bradley, Ontario's Environment Minister, had a front-row seat to witness Kormos during all his years in the legislature.

"In his early days, he was quite flamboyant both in terms of the Corvette he drove and the boots he wore," recalled the longtime St. Catharines MPP. He said Kormos moderated his image a little later, but never compromised his principles.

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"His language was colourful. He didn't hesitate to use words which were not normally used in the House. ... But that was Peter."

Not so long ago, Bradley said, MPPs were circulating a photograph of Kormos being arrested in his youth. He said some expected Kormos to be embarrassed.

Instead, Kormos found it hilarious.

"People who knew him knew he would wear that as a badge of honour, not a badge of shame."

Niagara Falls regional Coun. Bart Maves, a Progressive Conservative MPP from 1995 to 2003, said he learned a lesson from watching Kormos early in his own term. He said he went to Welland to open a school and gave a fairly basic speech.

All the while, he said, Kormos was eyeing the crowd. And when the Welland MPP spoke, he picked out faces in the audience and said something about each of their parents.

"You could just see people smiling and warming to him," he said.

"It was a bit of a lesson for me to see how he made the whole thing personal."

Maves said he and Kormos

were political foes at Queen's Park. But when the two sat together on regional council, he said, they often voted together.

"I think Peter is more anti-establishment than he is socialist," he said.

"He's voting with the newer guys on council who want to change things."

For regional Chair Gary

Burroughs, his first run-in with Kormos came in 1992 when Burroughs' hotel, the Oban Inn, was ravaged by a fire. He said when the inn was rebuilt he was able to hire back all but a few staff, with a couple people from Welland left out.

Sure enough, when he reopened the Oban, Kormos was marching out front.



QMI Agency File Photo
Peter Kormos in front of Queen's Park in Toronto.

"It was just so Peter," Burroughs said.

Though Kormos ruffled feathers on regional council, "he often told me he never would offend anyone," Burroughs said. "It was never personal. And I

admired that in him.

"I was looking forward to (his council term). Unlike some who thought he was going to be a challenge, to me he had that social conscience and that determination."

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Kain Anzovino stands with football in hand, between his supportive parents Denise Kennedy and Tim Anzovino. The 20-year-old Fort Erie native has been selected for the Kent State Golden Flashes Division One football team.

From the fields of FESS to Kent State

Family tragedy made young athlete work hard and stay focused on his goals

Kris Dubé
Editor

Kain Anzovino knows all about keeping his focus and not being distracted by what's going on around him.

The 20-year-old Fort Erie native has been training with the Kent State Golden Flashes division one National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) football team.

In mid-February, he found out he had cracked the team's roster and would be their go to guy in the long-snapper position.

Playing high school football locally with the Blue Devils and Falcons, he took the field in many positions like receiver, tight end, running back.

“It kept me on a straight path and I haven't strayed since it happened.”

— Kain Anzovino

But as he grew older and became more acquainted with the game, his sights were set on being a long-snapper.

“As the years passed, I kept getting better at it and I wanted to perfect it,” said Anzovino, when meeting at the football field at Fort Erie Secondary School, last week.

He was also accepted to the University of Wyoming's football program but when it came to make a decision, he decided to go with Kent.

“It's something new and it's going to be a great opportunity,” he said.

The last few years have been more than emotional for Kain and his family.

On Boxing Day 2009, his sister Reilly succumbed to her injuries from a car accident on Hwy. 3.

The incident occurred a very short time after the Niagara Health System (NHS) closed emergency rooms in Fort Erie and Port Colborne.

The tragic event immediately made headlines all over Niagara and even at the national level, as many critics of the NHS's implemented changes used Reilly's death as an example in their fight to restore services in Niagara.

Constant media attention and a highly publicized inquest into the incident followed for over two years.

Although he was devastated like any brother would be, Kain used the tragedy as inspiration and kept his focus.

“That's what pushed me to do what I'm doing,” said Anzovino.

“It's kept me on a straight path and I haven't strayed since it happened,” he added.

His parents Denise and Tim are more than proud of their son and everything he has been able to accomplish in the last couple of years.

“Kain is one of the most dedicated people I have ever met,” said Denise.

“We are so excited.” Between his loving, supportive parents and the many friends and other relatives he has in the area, Denise said Kain has many people cheering him on.

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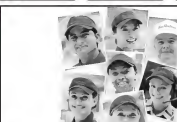
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My family and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has helped us through this most difficult time. On March 11 Paul, a wonderful and loving husband, proud father, father-in-law, grandfather, brother, brother-in-law, uncle and friend was suddenly taken from all who loved him. Paul was an extraordinary man, he treated strangers like friends, and friends like family. If you knew Paul you loved him.

It has been the overwhelming support from everyone who reached out to my family and I that has helped us through our darkest moments. It would be impossible to thank everyone for what they have done for us. During these past few weeks when we needed love and support the most, so many of you reached out. The pain is still very raw and will be with us always, but having such wonderful friends and family will help us with the healing process.

The flowers, food, cards, kind words, touching stories, social media condolences, flags at half-mast, funeral home visitations and donations in Paul's memory are all so greatly appreciated and treasured.

I would like to thank my closest friends for caring for my family and I over these past few weeks. The endless meals, baked goods, constant support, the shoulders to cry on will never be forgotten.



I love you dearly, thank you.

Thank you to the Plaine and the Old Bank Bistro who graciously delivered lovely meals to my home. Your thoughtfulness was touching.

Thank you to Darren Flagg at Benner Funeral home for his professionalism and guidance. Your attention to detail did not go unnoticed. Also, thank you to Cal Stafford for his kindness, moving words and spiritual support.

A special thank you goes out to George Fairgrieve, Moira Moses, Larry Sibranni, Emile McLivenna, Debbie Rennie, my son-in-laws, both my daughters and my grandchildren for their memorable words and stories. I am so appreciative to all who came to say their farewell to the love of my life, my soul mate. He would be humbled by the outpouring of love.

Thank you to the E.J. Freeland Foundation and the countless others who donated to the Douglas Memorial Foundation in Paul's name. Thank you to Westlane Secondary School for creating the "Paul Fell" scholarship, he would be most honored. Also, thank you to Ken Mason and Paul's golf companions at Bridgewater for donating a memorial bench in his name.

Our lives are forever changed and Paul's memory will live within us. We will hold those memories close to our hearts and your support will help us through our grief.

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ANDERSON, Ken - Ken passed away at the Greater Niagara General Hospital on March 24th, 2012 in his 65th year. Loving husband and best friend of Patricia. Proud and loving Dad of Carmen. Ken was a member of the Niagara Hog Chapter and the Canadian Vintage Motorcycle Group. In keeping with Ken's wishes, cremation has taken place. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie attended with arrangements. To honour the love Ken had of Tyus (Teddy), donations to Boxer Rescue Ontario would be appreciated by the family.

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DIOMINI, Cheryl - Safe in the arms of Jesus after a courageous battle with cancer, Cheryl passed away at home surrounded by her loving family on Sunday March 31st, 2013 at the age of 85. Loving wife of Alek. Proud mom of Laura (Scott) Montgomery, Jennifer Diomini and Stephen (Jessica). Cherished grandmother of Keira and Jackson. Beloved daughter of William and Lois Brisca. Sadly missed by her brothers Brian (Betty), Richard (Vera) and Mark (Jayne) and sister in law of Helen Diomini. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 2-4 & 7-9. Funeral Services will be held at Riverside Community Church on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock. If so desired, donations to Riverside Community Church would be appreciated by the family.

HORVAT, Bernice Violet - Bernice passed away March 30, 2013 in Fort Erie. Bernice was so very proud to be the wife of Frank Horvat and the mother of Frank Jr. (his wife Sandy), and Deborah (husband Richard) Horvat-Herbold. Bernice will be sadly missed by her siblings, her extended family and many wonderful friends. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES** were entrusted with private family interment services.

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DRENNAN, Christopher - Age 65, died March 25, 2013, with his family by his side in Niagara Falls, ON. At his request no service will be held and cremation has taken place. Chris was born December 15, 1947 in Manchester, England to Freda and James Drennan. A wonderful husband, loving father and proud grandfather. He was also an insurance adjuster for over 35 years and was respected and admired by all who knew him. Chris is survived by his wife of 43 years, Nancy, his daughters and their spouses, Stacey and Chris Stevens and Kerry and Joe LaFrenier, and his six grandchildren, Sophie and Evelyn Stevens, Caitlin and Michaela Thomas and Brendan and Chloe LaFrenier.

FUNERAL SERVICES, 722 Ridge Road N., Ridgeway entrusted with arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Canadian Diabetes Association, The Kidney Foundation of Canada or the Heart & Stroke Foundation of Ontario.

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LEJEUNE, James Harold "Jim" - Passed away in his sleep at his home on Monday April 1st, 2013. Loving husband of Marlene. Proud father of Catherine (Brian) Wrightman, Laurie (Dennis Hilliker) and Christopher. Lejeune. Cherished grandfather of Lindsey (Dustin) Switzer and Kyle Wrightman. Also survived by sisters Marilyn Scott and Vivian Seelye many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by his parents Harold & Leona and brothers in law Art and Bill. A strong and loving family man, his greatest joy was when he was surrounded by his family enjoying Sunday dinner. Active in sports. Jim was an accomplished baseball player, and avid golfer and enjoyed playing snooker at the Legion. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. The family invite friends to the Royal Canadian Legion Br. 71 (Garrison & Central) on Thursday April 4th, 2013 from 12 noon until the time of a service to celebrate Jim's life at 1 p.m. Reception to follow. If so desired, donations to the Poppy Fund at the legion would be appreciated by the family.



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LANTHIER, Edward - Ed passed away at the Georgetown hospital on Friday March 29th, 2013 at the age of 86. Loving husband of the late Isabel. Proud father of Robert (Jane) Lanthier of Georgetown and Debbie (John) Macnamara of Watford. Cherished grandpa of Shawn (Joni), Michael, Ryan, Heather (Dave), Michel, John Macnamara and Dave Macnamara. Great grandfather of Cole, Kyle, Grayson, Haley and Connor. Also survived by his sisters Cecile Willars and Lillian Tremblay and his brother Mike Lanthier, many nieces, nephews extended family and friends. Predeceased by his siblings, Dorothy, Louis, Therese and Paul. Ed served the Niagara Region as an Ontario Land surveyor for over 40 years working until the age of 71. Always active, his enjoyment of hockey was replaced by skating on Tuesdays in Jordan. His 15 years as a ski patrol allowed him to meet many people and he enjoyed skiing right up until 2012. Summertime enabled him to meet his friends at the golf course and last year he played 18 holes most days at Fort Erie Golf Club and was a member of the Seniors league at Rio Vista. Possibly his most enjoyable times were spent with his fellow fiddlers and the Niagara Olde Time Fiddlers of Niagara a group he was a past president of. He would build violins in his home workshop and looked forward to his Tuesday jam sessions. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 2-4 & 7-9. Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church on Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m. interment to follow in Greenwood Cemetery. If so desired, donations to the Canadian Cancer Society or the Building Fund of St. Michael's Church would be appreciated by the family. www.bennerfuneralservices.com

SCHULTZ, Catharine E. "Kate" - Passed away at the Douglas Memorial Hospital on Sunday March 31st, 2013 in her 82nd year. Beloved wife of the late Roland. Loving mother of Dave (Helen) of Brantford, Rick (Diane) of Fort Erie, Lynda Schultz of Mississauga, Robin (Kevin) Bird of Calgary and Mary Schultz of Brantford. Cherished grandmother of Keith, Dale, Karl, Rebecca, Colin and Lucas and 6 great grandchildren. Also survived by her siblings, Paula, Jane and Ray. Loving aunt of Paul and her other nephews, nieces. Sadly missed by her extended family. Predeceased by her granddaughter Ashley and sister Maureen. **BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie entrusted with arrangements. The family will receive friends on Friday from 7-9 and on Saturday from 11 am until the time of services in the Benner Funeral Chapel at 1 p.m. Cremation to follow. Memorials to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.



In Loving Memory



COLIN GEORGE FORD
July 15, 1949 - April 6, 2012

*Remember when you used to sing to ??
The Beatles
Your guitar
'Let it Be'*

*Remember those sunny days with Ray?
Your bike
Open air*

Down the boulevard way.

*Remember taking mum's hand, so free?
She hasn't let go*

And neither have we.

*Remembering you one year later.
Always in our thoughts.*

Love Christina, Rebecca and Rachel



JEFFERY VINCENT HEARN


December 12, 1956- April 2, 2011
So hard to believe 2 years have passed
That is 730 days without seeing your big smile or
being able to hear your infectious laugh
So many things have changed
But the one thing that remains true is our
love for you
Always know there isn't a day, not a minute
nor a moment that we do not think of you
and miss you so.
With All Our Love,
Morn, Mary Jane, Maighan
Maighan, Aaron
Dalemy, Reagan and Mylie.
Go Leafs Go!!



SPARLING, KENNETH "IKE"
Ike, Dad and Papa and Poppa and Poppi. Five years
have gone by quickly since April 5, 2008 but we
still think of you daily!

THANK YOU FOR THE YEARS WE SHARED.
THANK YOU FOR THE WAY YOU CARED.
WE LOVED YOU THEN
AND WE LOVE YOU STILL.
FORGET YOU? NO, WE NEVER WILL.

Lovingly remembered - Pat, Mary Pat, Brian,
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KRIS DUBÉ Fort Erie Times

Jeff Innes from Yukon Blonde in mid-song at the Sanctuary, last Saturday.

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Bouquet to those involved in saving racetrack for another year

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Bouquet to letter author

This is a bouquet to the author of a letter to the editor in last week's Fort Erie Times. He wrote about how it is his opinion that the Canadian Motor Speedway will not serve Fort Erie with all the benefits that many people feel it will. We need sustainable industrial jobs for this town to turn around. He hit the nail on the head.

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Brick to weather

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